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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: "SSCI Request for Names of Academics to Testify"

1. On 20 July, the SSCI will hold more charter legislation hearings at which time the following academics will testify with regard to "Intelligence Activities on Campus":

--Derek Bok - President, Harvard University

--Morton Baratz - General Secretary of the Association of American University Professors

--Richard Abrams - President, University of California

2. Pat Norton, SSCI staff, recently contacted Don Massey of OLC, who in turn contacted me, requesting names of academics who participated in drafting guidelines re relationships of "academia" to the Intelligence Community and who looked favorably on such continued relationship.

3. I contacted Mr. Norton to ask for clarification of the request. Mr. Norton indicated that the request for such names is made with specific regard to the fact that Admiral Turner had mentioned in his debate with Morton Halperin on 12 June in New Haven that certain academics favored continued contact with the Intelligence Community without naming names. I have attached a copy of the 12 June Washington Post article on the New Haven debate. You will note that the Post article quotes Admiral Turner as stating he has been working "for more than a year with a faculty leader from a "leading university ... writing a specific code of ethics'." (emphasis added). Whether or not Mr. Norton is requesting this particular professor's name or names of cooperating academics who favor continued CIA-"academia" relationships and who would be willing to testify on 20 July along with those academics already scheduled to testify is uncertain.

4. Notwithstanding the uncertainty involved in this matter, the issue remains whether the Agency for purposes of public testimony wishes to release the name(s) of academics who cooperate with the Agency. At a minimum, the individual's consent would have to be gotten. Query as to the negative impact such a release for whatever purposes would have on other academics similarly situated; Query as to the precedent that would be set.

5. No recommendation is to be made pending further in-house discussion.

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